# **ARCTIC COUNCIL**

High-level intergovernmental forum to address common concerns & challenges faced by Arctic governments & Arctic peoples.

# The Arctic Council is composed of:

- <u>8 Arctic Council Countries</u> Canada, Denmark (Greenland), Finland, Iceland, Norway, Russia, Sweden, and USA
- <u>Permanent Participants</u> 6 Arctic Indigenous Peoples organizations
- Observers Non-governmental organizations, international organizations, and European non-Arctic countries

# Arctic Council Leadership: Ministers (DOS) Senior Arctic Officials (SAO) Working Groups

# **5 Expert Working Groups**

#### **CAFF**

Conservation of Arctic Flora & Fauna

- Alaska Region
  International
  Conservation
  Program has Lead
  U.S. National Rep.
- Chair & vice-chair rotate biennially
- CAFF secretariat is in Iceland

## **PAME**

Protection of the Arctic Marine Environment

Lead U.S.
 National Rep.
 is National
 Oceanic &
 Atmospheric
 Administration
 staff

## **AMAP**

Arctic Monitoring & Assessment Program

- Physio-chemical monitoring and assessment
- Lead U.S.
   National Rep. is
   Department of
   Interior science
   officer

## **EPPR**

Emergency Prevention, Preparedness, & Response

 Lead U.S. National Rep. is Department of Energy staff

## **SDWG**

Sustainable Development Working Group

Lead U.S.
 National Rep. is
 State of Alaska